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SUBJECT:CSCE IMPLEMENTATION: PRESENTATION TO SOVIET MFA

1. YOU SHOULD TAKE FIRST APPROPRIATE OPPORTUNITY
TO INFORM ALLIES OF THE FOLLOWING:

A. IN PURSUIT OF CSCE IMPLEMENTATION, OUR AMBASSADOR
IN MOSCOW ON OCTOBER 14 MADE A GENERAL APPROACH ON BASKET
III RELATED ISSUES TO THE SOVIET MFA CALLING THE SOVIETS'
ATTENTION TO CSCE PROVISIONS OF PARTICULAR INTEREST TO US
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WHERE WE BELIEVE SOME PROGRESS CAN E MADE. PRESENTATION

WAS POSITIVE IN TONE AND SOUGHT COOPERATION OF SOVIETS IN IMPLEMENTING FINAL ACT, WHICH IS OF IMPORTANCE TO BOTH GOVERNMENTS.

; B. IN MAKING PRESENTATION WE CITED POSITIVE STEPS MADE IN PROVIDING FOR MULTIPLE ENTRY/EXIT VISAS FOR JOURNALISTS AND IN RECENT RESOLUTION OF A NUMBER OF FAMILY REUNIFICATION CASES OF INTEREST TO THE US. WE STRESSED BENEFICIAL EFFECT SUCH STEPS HAVE ON WESTERN PUBLIC OPINION.

C. WE STATED THAT WE WISHED TO MAINTAIN MOMENTUM IN CSCE IMPLEMENTATION, AND WERE STUDYING THE FINAL ACT TO

DETERMINE WHICH PROVISIONS REQUIRE IMPLEMENTATION ON OUR PART. WE STATED OUR PRELIMINARY VIEW THAT MANY OF THE FINAL ACT'S PROVISIONS NEED NOT BE FURTHER DISCUSSED TO TAKE EFFECT.

D. AS SUBJECTS OF PARTICULAR CONCERN TO THE US, WE CITED FAMILY REUNIFICATION, MARRIAGE BETWEEN NATIONALS OF DIFFERENT STATES, FAMILY VISITS, IMPROVED WORKING CONDITIONS FOR JOURNALISTS, AND FACILITATION OF TRAVEL, AND URGED THAT THE SOVIETS TAKE CONCRETE STEPS IN THESE AREAS, IN ACCORD WITH COMMITMENTS MADE AT CSCE.

E. SOVIET RESPONSE WAS POSITIVE AND WE CONSIDER IT CONSTRUCTIVE. WHILE NOTING THAT INTERESTS IN VARIOUS ASPECTS OF CSCE DOCUMENT WOULD VARY AMONG COUNTRIES AND THAT SPECIFIC MEASURES THAT LINKED TO SPECIFIC PROVISIONS OF FINAL ACT WERE NOT TO BE EXPECTED DAILY, SOVIETS TOLD US THEY WERE WORKING ON QUESTION OF STEPS TO BE TAKEN AND THAT THEY WERE READY TO CONSIDER US PROPOSALS IN TERMS OF CONCRETE MEASURES. THEY INDICATED THEY WOULD CONSIDER OUR APPROACH SERIOUSLY AND WOULD BE ABLE TO SPEAK IN MORE CONCRETE TERMS IN THE NEAREST FUTURE. THEY WERE ALSO INTERESTED IN WHETHER WE WERE ENGAGED IN SIMILAR DISCUSSIONS WITH OTHER CSCE PARTICIPANTS, AND WERE TOLD THAT THIS WAS OUR INTENTION. ALTHOUGH WE WILL NEED TO WATCH CLOSELY SOVIET PERFORMANCE AND AWAIT PROMISED "CONCRETE MEASURES", THEIR INITIAL RESPONSE IS ENCOURAGING
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